

The Chairman, Leonard Bertin, called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm
Wednesday,
October 2, 2002.

Present:	L. Bertin, member	C. Buchanan, member
	S. Burt, alternate	K. Gauri, member
	T. House, member	N. Johnson, member
	D. Pietron, member	J. Rodgers, member
	J. Shah, alternate	

Also

Present:	M. Grusnick, staff
	M. McGinnis, staff

Absent:	A. Done, member	P. Manetta, alternate
	D. Kuschinsky, member	N. Raheb - student

The absent members were excused.

ITEM B - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2002

Rodgers moved to approve the Minutes of September 4, 2002. Supported by House. All voted in favor.

ITEM C - VISITORS, DELEGATIONS AND GENERAL PUBLIC

Gerald J. Yurk, Architect for City of Troy Museum Plan
Kelly A Watson, Architect for City of Troy Museum Plan
Brian Stoutenburg, City of Troy Library Director

ITEM D - NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Yurk and Ms. Watson presented to the Committee what is planned for the church and parsonage that will be moved to the City of Troy Museum grounds later this year. Mr. Yurk stated that they have worked very hard to make these buildings approaches, accessible for people with disabilities.

Mr. Yurk used a site plan of the Museum Green, to show how the church and parsonage will be located on the east end of the Green. Each building has a permanent accessible ramp that is ADA and Michigan Barrier Free approved. The front of the church has two doors, which qualifies it as an accessible entrance. The ramp will lead to the front door with a slope of 12:1, which is the minimum requirement. There was some discussion about the possibility of less slope. Mr. Yurk stated they could add 6 feet to each ramp to make a slope of 13:1. Members of the Committee agreed that it would make it easier to get a wheelchair up the ramp with a more gradual slope.

The accessible ramps will be made with a stone base and concrete, Mr. Yurk would like to see heating coils in the ramps for easier snow removal. As of now, these heating coils are not in the budget. The City will have to decide if this is possible. The railing for the ramps will be wrought iron.

The church has a capacity of about 120 people. The original pews, pulpit, stain and leaded glass will be restored.

Because of the position of the front door of the parsonage the ramp cannot be located in the front of the house and retain its historic character. The ramp will have to be installed down the side of the house and the door access will be in the rear of the home.

The Town Hall will be relocated 60 feet from the present location, and a ramp will be installed after it is moved. This ramp is also proposed for a 12:1 slope, but Mr. Yurk will look at a more gradual slope of 13:1.

The move of the church and parsonage is planned before inclement weather this fall. The plan is to move the church and parsonage together so that the power lines and traffic signals will be taken down only once.

Mr. Yurk is also working on a separate study for the Village Green site and would encourage this Committee to submit their ideas for accessibility to his firm as soon as possible.

ITEM E - REGULAR BUSINESS

ITEM F - OLD BUSINESS

Bertin reported that approximately 10 boxes of cell phones were collected at Troy Daze this September. A representative of the Senior Citizen Committee will meet with Cindy Stewart October 3, 2002, to discuss the distribution of these phones.

It was also reported that Jo Rhodes from the Senior Citizens Committee would like an Agenda from the Committee for Persons with Disabilities meetings, McGinnis will call Carla Vaughn to get an address.

D. House went to the Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens meeting in September and discussed the possibility of discounts on trips and programs for the disabled with Carla Vaughn. House will follow up on this discussion.

Bertin stated that he could not attend every City Council Meeting, but thinks it important that a member of this Committee be at the meetings. He would like to suggest that someone be at every meeting for at least a couple of hours. The meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month in City Council Chambers on the second floor of City

Hall. It will become a regular Agenda item to recruit volunteers to attend Council meetings for the coming month.

ITEM G - INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

This Committee has four (4) members whose term limits expire in November of 2002, Bertin, Done, Gauri, and Manetta. M. Grusnick will check to see if someone from City Council will contact these four (4) people about re-appointment to this Committee.

Bertin shared the resume of this Committee's new student - Nada Raheb, 5594 Fawn Court, Troy MI 48098 (248) 267-0352, e-mail swmr-grll14@hotmail.com. Ms. Raheb did not attend the meeting.

ITEM H - ADJOURN

Rodgers made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm. Buchanan seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

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